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This is in reply to your letter of 7 December 1948.

I have just dispatched a message to you advising you that Elrod would not be assigned to Cyprus. As I informed you previously, we are having a difficult time finding qualified P-5 engineers who are willing to accept this assignment. I still have hopes of finding one.

I believe it is extremely important that we have P-3 engineers to supervise the board who have had actual experience in our monitoring operation. I do not question your judgment as to the qualifications of the personnel you now have on Cyprus, but I feel that there is no substitute for the actual experience that some of our people have had over the years. I think you will realise this more and more as you become engaged in the actual monitoring operation. I still hope to find at least one P-S engineer who has had such experience for assignment to Cyprus. I do not desire to fill these positions with locally hired personnel if it can possibly be avoided.

Sincerely.

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